(घ) इस मूल्य वृद्धि के परिणामस्वरूप 1996-97 के दौरान तेल पूल खाते में लगभग 6,977 करोड़ रुपए की अतिरिक्त आय होने का अनुमान है।

Petrol Pumps and LPG Agencies Allotted to the Reserved Categories

600. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of petrol. diesel retail outlets and LPG dealerships allotted to persons belonging to SCs, STs, Minority Sections, Backward Classes, handicapped and terrorist-affected widows in Punjab, Assam, Jammu and Kashmir and Andhra Pradesh, during the last three years; and

(b) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Existing policy provides reservation of dealerships/distributorships to the following categories as under:

Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes (SC/ST)	—25%
Defence (DC)	—7½%
Physically Handicapped (PH)	—7½
Freedom Fighters (FF)	—3%
Outstanding Sports Persons (OSP)	—2%
Open (O)	—55%

There is no separate reservation for Minority Sections, Backward Classes and terrorist affected widows.

The number of retail outlet dealerships and LPG distributorships allotted to SC/ ST and P.H. Category during the last three years i.e. 1993-94 to 1996-97 upto Jan. 97 in Punjab, Assam, Andhra Pradesh and J&K in indicated below:

	Retail Outlet			LPG		
	SC	ST	PH	SC	ST	PH
Punjab	22	0	4	13	0	3
Assam	4	15	2	2	12	2
Andhra Pradesh	10	9	5	9	6	6
J&K	1	0	1	2	0	1

Rise in the Price of Crude Oil

601. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently raised the price of crude oil to be paid to ONGC and OIL;

(b) if so, the percentage of rise in the crude oil price as compared to the price raised by Government during the last year;

(c) what are the reasons for raising the crude oil price;

(d) the extent to which this rise is likely to burden the Oil Pool Account deficit; and

(e) what would be its overall impact on the consumer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (e) Government has raised the price of indigenous crude oil payable to ONGC and OIL from Rs. 1741/MT to Rs. 1991/MT provisionally w.e.f. 1.4.96. The revised crude oil price is based on